

**Testimony
Rosanna DiPanni
Tax Collector, Town of New Canaan
Before the
Transportation Committee
February 29, 2016**

**RE: HB-5055 - AN ACT DECREASING WAIT TIMES AT THE DEPARTMENT
OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

As the tax collector for the Town of New Canaan, I urge you to vote no on HB-5055.

This bill would mean a loss of revenue to the Town should this bill pass. For example, our current 2014 Grand List Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Supplemental taxes total \$4,743,769 and if only (very conservative est.) 5% doesn't get paid then we would send that to DMV to hold those registrations. That would mean \$237,188 would not be collected if the governor's bill were to get through.

And this is only an estimate of the current year. At this time New Canaan has 4,619 registrations on hold at the DMV, that's about \$1,242,000 that the Town would lose in revenue if HB-5055 passes! No town or city wants to lose that amount of money.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in opposition to the bill.